REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

Summary of Amendments

Upon entry of the present Amendment, claims 53, 54 and 57-59 are amended and claims 53, 54 and 57-83 will be pending, with claims 53, 54 and 57-59 being independent claims.

Support for the present amendments can be found throughout the present specification, e.g., at page 13, second paragraph.

Applicants point out that the amendments to claims 53, 54 and 57-59 are without prejudice or disclaimer, and Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute the unamended claims in one or more continuation and/or divisional applications. Further, the present amendments should by no means be construed as Applicants' admission that the unamended claims are not patentable. Rather, these claims have been amended merely to expedite the issuance of a patent on the present application.

Interview with Examiner La Villa

The courtesy extended to Applicants' representative by Examiner La Villa during the telephonic interviews on October 19 and 31, 2005 is acknowledged with appreciation. As discussed, the uses for the waste air unit recited in the amended claims submitted herewith are non-living space uses and for at least

this reason, are not rendered obvious by any of the uses disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6,656,425 to Benthien et al.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are in condition for allowance, and an early issuance of the Notices of Allowance and Allowability is earnestly solicited. If any issues yet remain to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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